

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REGION 7

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Dear Ms. Logan Smith and Mr. Smith:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has received your letter dated May 23, 2013, which is signed by you and other individuals. We appreciate the issues you raise through your questions. Presently, the EPA is engaging experts throughout this agency and other federal agencies to support Region 7 in its analyses of conditions and response actions to be taken at the West Lake Landfill Superfund Site.

You expressed specific interest in information the EPA derived from the ASPECT study. The ASPECT report contains responsive information which the EPA released to the public on May 29, 2013. It may be accessed at this website: <a href="https://www.epa.gov/region7/cleanup/npl\_files/index.htm#westlake">www.epa.gov/region7/cleanup/npl\_files/index.htm#westlake</a>.

You also expressed interest in several issues related to the subsurface smoldering event at the Bridgeton Sanitary Landfill. The Missouri Department of Natural Resources is the regulatory agency responsible for overseeing work at that landfill, and questions on that work should be directed to MDNR.

The EPA is holding a public meeting on Tuesday, June 25, 2013, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium at Pattonville High School, 2497 Creve Coeur Mill Road, Maryland Heights. The agency plans to update the public on data collected since the last meeting in January and also cover the topics identified in your letter.

Karl Brooks